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New U.S. Patent Application
Title: VACUUM ARC DEPOSITION APPARATUS
Inventors: Kazuhiko IRISAWA, Hideo YANASHIMA and
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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 29 pages, including 1 independent claim and 10 claims total.
2. Drawings- 5 sheets of drawings containing 5 figures.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
4. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Nissin Electric Co. Ltd. and Nippon ITF Inc.
5. Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-212044, filed July 22, 2002.
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Basic Application Filing Fee					\$750	\$ \$750.00
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Independent Claims	1	-	3		x \$84	
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-212044, filed July 22, 2002.

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Please accord this application an application number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

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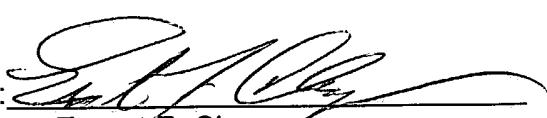
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application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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